

CCJBH March Council Meeting
Thursday, March 21, 2019, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet)
1227 O Street
Medal of Honor Conference Room
Sacramento, CA 95814

Call in information
Conference line: 1-888-363-4734
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Meeting Minutes

- I. 9:00 AM Welcome & Introductions, Roll Call**
Council Members Present: Sec. Ralph Diaz (A), Mack Jenkins, Stephanie Clendenin, (DSH), Brenda Grealish (DHCS), Hon. Stephen Manley, Tony Hobson, Danitza Pantoja

Council Members Absent: Tracey Whitney, Matthew Garcia, Jessica Cruz (NAMI California)

Staff Present: Und. Sec. Diana Toche, Stephanie Welch, Executive Officer, Monica Campus, Catherine Hickinbotham, Sheron Wright, Dr. Kate Warburton, Mark Garbau,

- II. 9:05 AM Approval of January Meeting Minutes**

Minutes for approval 1.24.19

Stephanie Welch, Executive Officer, Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health

Motion to approve the minutes made by Hon. Stephen Manley and Seconded by Mack Jenkins.

Ayes-4

Nays-0

Abstentions—3

Minutes were approved

*****PUBLIC COMMENT*****

- III. 9:10 AM Swearing in of New Member Danitza Pantoja (5 mins)**
Danitza Pantoja, Coordinator of Psychological Services, Antelope Valley Union High School District

Secretary Diaz swore in newest council member Danitza Pantoja. Ms. Pantoja was appointed by Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon. Danitza currently is the Coordinator of Psychological Services for the Antelope Valley Union High School District. She has worked in the educational field for over 10 years. Danitza has served as a commissioner for the Parks, Wellness, and Community Service Commission and the Education Commission in the City of

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ralph M. Diaz, Chair
Secretary (A), California
Department of
Corrections and
Rehabilitation

Tony Hobson,
Behavioral Health
Director, Plumas
County

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Care Services

Stephen V. Manley
Santa Clara County
Superior Court Judge

Tracey Whitney
Deputy District
Attorney, Mental
Health Liaison, Los
Angeles County District
Attorney



San Fernando. She also serves as a board member for Loyola Marymount University School of Education Alumni Board and El Centro De Amistad.

IV. 9:15 AM Lived Experience Contract Process (45 mins)

Catherine Hickinbotham, *Health Program Specialist I, Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health (CCJBH)*

Catherine Hickinbotham gave a comprehensive overview of the Lived Experience Contract, the stakeholder engagement process and the work plan for executing the process of obtaining stakeholder input on how to award the funding. Council Member Hon. Stephen Manley and Mark Garbau volunteered to be a part of the workgroup. At the next Council meeting, members will receive an update from the kick-off meeting and activities. Later, council members will vote to adopt recommendation on the criteria such as who is eligible to apply for funds and how the funds should be used and distributed..

*******PUBLIC COMMENT*******

V. 10:00 AM Felony Pre-Trial Mental Health Diversion San Joaquin County Panel Discussion (1 hour)

Panelists:

Kayce Rane, *Consultant, San Joaquin County District Attorney's Office*

Tori Verber Salazar, *San Joaquin County District Attorney*

Miriam Lyell, *San Joaquin County Public Defender*

Eric Jones, *Chief, Stockton Police Department*

Tony Vartan, *Director of Behavioral Health Services, San Joaquin County*

The San Joaquin County team shared the outcomes of their program designed as an approach to systems change. In their County they noticed that too many individuals with behavioral health concerns were unnecessarily being escalated within the criminal justice system. To address this issue they built a diversion framework that was trauma informed, clinically effective and responsive to the needs of criminal justice partners. In order for change to occur, they had four focuses, 1) Build Consensus, 2) Change Practice, 3) Strengthen Programs, 4) Achieve results. Through the process they gained insight and many lessons learned and as a result they developed four (4) recommendations; 1) Begin recovery before re-entry, 2) Leverage and invest in current resources—meaning leverage existing infrastructure for diversion activities and don't try to start up a new system. 3) Address housing and end the revolving door—they found that without stable and supported housing for their clients that medications are not taken, case managers cannot find clients, appointments are missed and symptoms worsen—triggered by depression and anxiety. 4) Help Counties manage risk / control costs—meaning, lasting system changes require permanent funding solutions.

VI. 11:00 AM Update on Various Initiatives and Policies with CHA (45 mins)

Sheree Lowe, *Vice President, Behavioral Health, California Hospital Association*

SB 1152 (Hernandez)-Chaptered September 30, 2018, known as the discharge planning for patients who are homeless. This presentation addressed the current discharge requirements of hospitals and the changes SB 1152 requires.

Hospitals are not required to have emergency rooms. However, they are committed to ensuring that everyone receives safe, medically appropriate care, regardless of life circumstances, appropriate planning for discharge and coordinated discharge to appropriate area shelters and community based services if the person is experiencing homelessness. Patients that are homeless may choose to leave a hospital on their own terms, without accepting assistance as well as make their own decisions. SB 1152 would require hospitals to establish if an individual is homeless by asking assessment questions, adding homeless patient discharge planning policies and processes to the current hospital written discharge planning policy, include services that must be offered to the homeless patient prior to discharge, although noting that the patients can decline offered services.

By July 1, 2019 hospitals must implement a written plan for coordinating services and referrals for homeless patients with the county health, behavioral health, and social services agencies in the region, as well as other health care providers and nonprofit social services providers. Coordination plans must include a list of local homeless shelters, referral procedures and training protocols for discharge planning staff.

*****PUBLIC COMMENT*****

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM LUNCH (on your own)

VI. 1:00 PM Update on Words to Deeds

Kit Wall, Project Director, Words to Deeds

Gave the historical background to how and why Words to Deeds was established. Words to Deeds over the years has been at the forefront of behavioral health and criminal justice issues. Their goal for the next version of the organization is to identify how they can be most effective and sustainable.

VII. 1:15 PM Business Meeting / Executive Officer's Report (1.25 hours)

Stephanie Welch, Executive Officer, Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health

- 1. Vice Chair selection process**
- 2. Key Policy Updates**
- 3. CCJBH 2019 Work plan and Activities**
- 4. Late Breaking Policy Issues**

Executive Officer proposed three options for selecting a vice chair for the Council. Option #1 – *The Vice Chair should be held by one of the two statutory obligated Agencies (The Department of Health Care Services or the Department of State Hospitals), Option #2 – Call for nominations for Vice Chair from the Floor, Option #3 – Election Day - Candidates will express interest to the Chair by written note by a deadline. The Chair asked if there were any volunteers. Hon. Stephen Manley and Brenda Grealish volunteered. The Chair, Secretary Diaz nominated Brenda Grealish, and Hon. Stephen Manley seconded the nomination. There was no public comment.*

Ayes--6

Nos-0

Abstentions—0

The Council members selected Brenda Grealish who works for the California Department of Health Care Services (DSCH) as the Vice Chair of the Council.

AB 2958 (September 2018) made changes to the Bagley-Keen Open Meetings Act. Allows for Councils to have workgroup meetings and conduct business via conference call.

The Work plan is focused on three areas, policy, partnership building and operations. Policy work will include AB 1810 Implementation & Support to the DSH Felony Pre-trial Diversion Program, Bail Reform, Housing and Workforce. Other areas of work will include data Use strategies.

Motion to adopt the work plan as described: Moved by Secretary Diaz, seconded by Hon. Stephen Manley

Ayes--5

Nos-0

Abstentions—0

VII. 2:30 PM Announcements

Juvenile Justice Roundtable—April 30, 2019

Lived Experience Stakeholder Kickoff—May 29, 2019

CIBHS Symposium—April 15-16, 2019

Mental Health Matters Day—May 22, 2019

State Hospitals Mental Health Forum—June 13-14, 2019

16th Annual Statewide Conference on Integrating SUD,
MH and Primary Care Services—October 23-24, 2019

VIII. 2:45 PM Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda

IX. Adjourn

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE

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